GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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CGHS FACILITIES TO PENSIONERS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have collaborated with Insurance Companies to extend health cover of pensioners living in areas not accessible to the CGHS facilities;

(b) if so, the details of the agreement worked out with Insurance Companies;

(c) whether pensioners are also allowed to go the nearest private hospital and get treatment and then be reimbursed; and

(d) if so, the details of rules and stipulations?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) : Central Government servants living in non-CGHS areas are given medical facilities under CS(MA) Rules, 1944. However, the CS(MA) Rules, 1944, are not applicable to the Central Government pensioners and consequently therefore, pensioners are not allowed to get permission/reimbursement for taking treatment in the nearest private hospital under the said rules. The Department of Pensions & Pensioner`s Welfare vide their O.M. dated 19.12.1997 has granted Rs. 100/- per month as medical allowance for day to day medical care to those Central Government pensioners whose place of residence falls in a non-CGHS area.